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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining this patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

## **AMENDMENTS**

# In the Specification

Please replace paragraph 6 on page 6, lines 12 through 13 with the following paragraph:

Figs. 5a-b is a plan view of a web page employed to allow users to register to gain access to a Virtual Garage<sup>TM</sup>;

Please replace paragraph 2 on page 12, lines 6 through 14 with the following paragraph:

In the case where a user attempts to gain access to the present invention for the first time, a hypertext link 620 allows navigation to an account registration webpage 65, shown in Figs. 5a-5b. Account registration webpage 65 includes a number of data entry fields 65a-s, in which the user's personal information can be entered. Also included on account registration

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25 METRO DRIVE SUITE 700 SAN JOSE, CA 95110 (408) 453-9200 FAX (408) 453-7979 webpage 65 are data fields 66a-b and 67a-j. Data entry fields 66a-b indicate the level of restriction on dissemination of the information provided in data fields 65a-s. Information entered in data fields 67a-i indicates how the user came to obtain knowledge of the existence of account registration webpage 65.

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In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(iii), Appendix B provides marked up versions of the amended paragraphs illustrating the newly introduced changes in the specification.

## CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on May 16, 2001.

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### APPENDIX B

# "MARKED UP" PARAGRAPHS SHOWING THE CHANGES THAT THE ACCOMPANYING SUBMISSION MAKES TO THE SPECIFICATION OF APPLICATION NUMBER 09/760,062

Paragraph 6 on page 6, lines 12 through 13 is changed as follows:

Figs. 5a- $[c]\underline{b}$  is a plan view of a web page employed to allow users to register to gain access to a Virtual Garage<sup>TM</sup>;

Paragraph 2 on page 12, lines 6 through 14 is changed as follows:

In the case where a user attempts to gain access to the present invention for the first time, a hypertext link 620 allows navigation to an account registration webpage 65, shown in Figs. 5a-5[c]b. Account registration webpage 65 includes a number of data entry fields 65a-s, in which the user's personal information can be entered. Also included on account registration webpage 65 are data fields 66a-b and 67a-j. Data entry fields 66a-b indicate the level of restriction on dissemination of the information provided in data fields 65a-s. Information entered in data fields 67a-i indicates how the user came to obtain knowledge of the existence of account registration webpage 65.

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